

- A. when water soaks into the topsoil and reacts with humus to form an acid, which dissolves the nutrients in the horizon and drips down into the horizon below (percolation) - **Leaching**
- B. the process of moving and disintegrating rocks and soil by the action of water, wind, gravity, and ice - **Erosion**
- C. organic material left behind by living things - **Humus**
- D. different layers of soil - **Horizon**
- E. the process of breaking down rocks, soil, and minerals through contact with the atmosphere (ex. wind, water, ice, oxygen, carbon dioxide) - **Weathering**
- F. a blend of weathered rock and organic material - **Soil**
- G. solid rock that hasn't been broken down yet; underneath horizon C - **Bedrock**